

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**Amend R307-328 and R307-342 to extension of Stage I Vapor Recovery**  
**requirements to all counties within the State of Utah.**

Stage I vapor recovery systems collect vapors resulting from the dispensing of gasoline to underground storage tanks. Stage I vapor recovery requirements were implemented in Salt Lake and Davis Counties in the 1980's and in Utah and Weber Counties in 1999. They have proven to be a successful method of controlling both volatile organic compound (VOC) and hazardous air pollutant (HAP) emissions along the Wasatch Front. Based on 2005 data, it is estimated that approximately 3,595 tons of VOC and 282 tons of HAP have been prevented from entering the atmosphere along the Wasatch Front annually by implementation of Stage I vapor recovery systems.

A growing information base indicates that the emission of ozone precursors and the subsequent formation of ozone is no longer an issue only along the Wasatch Front, but is a concern across a broad expanse of the intermountain west, including most of rural Utah. It is estimated that over two thousand tons of VOC and HAP emissions could be eliminated annually if Stage I controls were implemented statewide. With the recent tightening of the National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for ozone, the Air Quality Board is proposing to expand the stage I vapor recovery requirements throughout the State of Utah.

R307-342 and R307-328 work together to establish the stage I vapor recovery requirements. R307-328 requires gasoline transport vehicles and the bulk plants and service stations that receive gasoline from them to capture vapors released during transfer operations. R307-342 requires that gasoline delivery equipment provide leak-tight loading and off-loading, and specifies procedures by which contractors may become certified to perform leak tightness tests.

The Board is proposing a phase in compliance schedule so that larger commercially run companies with large numbers of stations could schedule the implementation of stage I modifications. In addition, this phase-in process would allow smaller private facilities the opportunity to save for the up-front capital costs. The proposal allows for facilities to request two six-month extensions. However, all facilities must be in compliance with this rule not later than April 30, 2011.

Public hearings will be held throughout the state. The following is the schedule for these hearings:

- June 11, 2008 at 11 am in the Main Conference Room of the Bear River Health Department Environmental Health Building located at 85 East 1800 North, North Logan, Utah
- June 17, 2008 at 11:00 am at the Mickelson Center located at 50 East 400 South, Duchesne, Utah.

- June 17, 2008 at 6:00 pm in Room # 4 of the Grand Center located at 182 North 500 West, Moab, Utah;.
- June 18, 2008 at 11:00 am in the Auditorium of the Sevier County Administration Building located at 250 North Main Street, Richfield, Utah;
- June 18, 2008 at 7:00 pm in St. George City Council Chamber of City Hall located at 175 East 200 North, St. George, Utah;
- June 19, 2008 at 2:00 pm in City Council Chamber of the Nephi City Office Building located at 21 East 100 North, Nephi, Utah; and
- June 25, 2008 at 2:00 pm in Room 201 of the DEQ Building at 168 North 1950 West Salt Lake City, Utah.

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The comment period closes at 5:00 p.m. on July 1, 2008. Comments postmarked on or before that date will be accepted. Comments may be submitted by electronic mail to [mcarlile@utah.gov](mailto:mcarlile@utah.gov) or may be mailed to:

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